

NEWS OF THE WEEK FROM OVER WORLD

HAPPENINGS IN OUR OWN AND
OTHER COUNTRIES
BRIEFLY TOLD.

SHORT ITEMS FOR BUSY MEN

Week's News Condensation Re-
viewed Without Comment—All
Nations Find Something to
Edify and Instruct.

Maj. Gen. George W. Goethals, gov-
ernor of the Panama canal zone, has
sailed for Panama on the steamship
Pastores. He said he was confident
that the canal would be opened by
April 15.

The proposed advance in charge for
the privilege of milling grain in trans-
it filed with the state public utilities
commission by the Chicago, Peoria &
St. Louis railroad was suspended until
July 25 by an order of the commis-
sion.

The withdrawal of the steamship
Rotterdam of the Holland-American
line from service was announced at
the company's offices.

A rent-free apartment house for un-
married working women is provided
for in the will of Charles P. Webster,
a dry goods merchant of New York,
who died March 16, leaving an estate
exceeding \$1,000,000.

While raising the window of her
room, Mrs. R. E. Darrow, 34, of De-
catur, Ill., fell through the window to
the pavement, 20 feet below, and was
killed.

The city council of El Paso, Tex.,
passed an ordinance providing that
correspondents sending out of the city
matter "calculated to injure the gen-
eral business reputation of El Paso
and known to be false" shall be fined
from \$25 to \$200.

The jury trying W. D. January at
Norman, Ok., for the murder of Mil-
ton Keck brought in a verdict of
guilty and assessed his punishment
at life in prison.

The Carollite Chemical company's
plant, at Conner Hill, Tenn., manu-
facturing high explosives, was entirely
destroyed by fire.

The return just issued by the regis-
trar-general for Ireland shows that
the population of Ireland increased
last year by 9,542. This follows an
increase of 7,148 during the year 1914.

H. Ashton Ramsay, 81, chief engi-
neer of the famous Confederate iron-
clad Merrimac, and one of the few
surviving members of her crew, is
dead at Baltimore.

Burglars obtained stamps, checks
and cash totaling about \$300 from the
postoffice at Brown Branch, Mo., ac-
cording to information received by
postoffice inspectors.

The ice moved out of La Crosse
(Wis.) harbor and the Mississippi
river is open to navigation at this
point. The opening came two days
later than in 1915.

Men of the Hungarian landsturm
born in 1868 and 1869, who hitherto
have been employed in making ma-
terials of war, are ordered to join the
army on April 5.

William G. McAdoo, American sec-
retary of the treasury, will be official-
ly a guest of Chilly during his visit
with the other members of the Amer-
ican delegation to the international
trade conference.

The Wisconsin national guard has
been ordered to recruit to full war
strength.

A total of 1,338 recruits have been
added to the army in the last 10 days,
the war department announced.

Investigation in bituminous coal
rates from mines in Pennsylvania,
Maryland, West Virginia, Kentucky
and Ohio to Lake Erie ports for trans-
shipment was ordered for April 24.

Thousands of barrels of oil were
destroyed in a fire near Drumright,
Ok., on the 22d, when 24 derricks and
12 wells were in flames.

One hundred and twenty-seven sub-
marines have been captured by the
British since the outbreak of the war.

A Sully Guard of New Rochelle, N.
Y., was killed when his automobile,
running 60 miles an hour, struck a
telegraph pole.

Senator L. Y. Sherman of Illinois
has introduced a resolution to au-
thorize the president to at once call for
50,000 volunteers for service in Mex-
ico.

Fire destroyed the five-story build-
ing at Jersey City occupied by the
Durham Razor company, entailing a
loss of \$300,000.

To increase the gold reserve of the
government, the Austrian savings
banks have decided to accept deposits
in the form of jewelry and old gold of
all kinds.

Twenty-five wireless stations in and
about San Antonio, Tex., have been
discontinued upon instructions from the
department of justice.

The Russian steamer Neora Jasla-
da was torpedoed in the North At-
lantic March 9.

The cornerstone has just been laid
in Calcutta for a new hospital for
tropical diseases.

The price of beer in Austria-Hun-
gary has been raised for the third
time since the war started.

Four babies were burned to death
last week in a fire in a New York
day nursery.

Bodies of the sailors of Admiral
Cervera's fleet who were captured
during the Spanish-American war and
died in the naval hospital at Port-
smouth, N. H., will be removed to
Spain as a mark of respect to the
Spanish government.

During the mine-sweeping practice
by Greek naval vessels in the bay of
Eleusis this week, obstacles were en-
countered which are thought to be the
Persian galleys of Xerxes' fleet.

Two thousand panes of glass were
shattered when a mine which drifted
ashore off Gudhjem exploded.

Military training for boys in the
public schools of Hoboken, N. J., will
begin immediately.

The house education committee
voted unanimously to take no action
on pending bills to reopen the north
pole controversy. Dr. Frederick A.
Cook asked the committee to investi-
gate his claims.

A romance ended in a Chicago court
when Charles Robinson divorced Val-
a Bernice Winton Robinson, daugh-
ter of former Mayor O. R. Winton of
East St. Louis, and heiress to his
\$500,000 estate.

Gen. Harrison Gray Otis, editor of
the Los Angeles Times, is seriously
ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Thomas Nelson and her sister,
Miss Clara Matthews, are dead at Vi-
enna, Mo., as a result of poison mys-
teriously administered.

The first "submarine strike" on re-
cord has occurred on a Batavier Line
steamship when the crew refused to
sail because the ship was not con-
voyed for protection from submarines.

The Prince of Wales has arrived in
Egypt on appointment as staff cap-
tain.

James F. Walker, 61 years old, and
his wife, 60 years old, were asphyxi-
ated at Springfield, Mo.

Musical instruments as a means of
inspiring sub-normal children soon
will be tried in classes for such chil-
dren of the Chicago public schools.

David Lloyd-George, minister of mu-
nitions, speaking in the house of com-
mons, confirmed the report that Japan
had been invited to take part in the
Paris economic conference.

The death sentence imposed upon
Mrs. Ida Ball Warren, the first wom-
an ever sentenced in North Carolina
to die in the electric chair, was com-
muted to life imprisonment.

Because of extra expenditures for
the Mexican expedition and the cost
of recruiting the army up to 120,000,
Secretary of War Baker submitted
urgent deficiency estimates of \$5,870,-
094 to the house.

In a telegram sent to President Wil-
son the Aero Club of America offered
for army use in Mexico two high-
power aeroplanes, which the club says
excel in every way the army flying
equipment.

Judge Brewer, at Danville, Ill., sen-
tenced "Big John" Murphy, alias Wal-
ter Murphy, to hang April 14 for the
murder of Louis Roumas, a Big Four
track laborer, Nov. 9, 1915.

Turkish soldiers have evacuated Er-
zingan, according to information re-
ceived here.

Daniel G. Patterson, formerly a rail-
road man at Greensboro, N. C., shot
and killed his four children while
they slept and then killed himself. He
is believed to have been temporarily
insane.

Daniel S. Hoan, Social-Democratic
candidate for mayor of Milwaukee,
leads Mayor Gerhard A. Bading, non-
partisan, by 5,367 votes.

James Howard Grace of El Paso
and his mother and sister of Chicago
will receive the bulk of the estate of
\$1,790,000 of Edward Grace, according
to the terms of the will just filed.

Two hundred public schools in the
City of Mexico opened after being
closed since November, owing to the
epidemic of typhus.

Three motor water wagons, said to
be the first ever used by the United
States army, will be in service in the
campaign against Villa in a few days.

Clothed in the faded Confederate
uniform he used in the civil war,
Capt. David A. Tandy, 74, was buried
at Hopkinsville, Ky.

An unmasked robber entered the
First National bank at Malvern, Ark.,
locked the cashier, H. L. McDonald,
in the vault and escaped with \$513.

Capt. Roald Amundsen, according to
a Central News dispatch from Christ-
iania, will start on a north pole expedi-
tion in the spring of 1917.

Frank R. McAtee, 60, editor and
owner of the Chester (Ill.) Herald, a
weekly newspaper, killed himself by
shooting. McAtee had been in poor
health for several years.

AUTO AND STREET CAR IN COLLISION

SIX NASHVILLE PERSONS SUFFER
INJURIES WHEN MACHINE
CRASHES HEAD-ON.

WANT CRUISER AT MEMPHIS

Congressman McKellar Makes Effort
To Have Warship "Tennessee" at
Bluff City for Rechristening.

Nashville.—Six persons were in-
jured, one probably fatally, and two seri-
ously, when a seven-passenger touring
car in which they were riding crashed
head-on into a Broadway-West End
street car on the Harding road.

The injured were hurried to the city
in passing autos. They are Mr. and
Mrs. John Miller, their daughter, Miss
Nellie; their nine-year-old son, Ellard;
Miss Jennie Poe and John Ahearn. All
live on the Dickerson road, near Nash-
ville, except Mr. Ahearn, who lives at
Clarksville.

Mr. Miller was driving and sustained
internal injuries. His left leg was
broken and he was badly bruised.

Miss Poe was knocked unconscious
and is in a serious condition. Mrs. Mil-
ler was also badly hurt.

The accident occurred when Mr. Mil-
ler lost control of the machine, which
swerved onto the tracks in front of
the car. The street car was derailed
and ran into the lawn of a nearby resi-
dence. Several passengers were on
the car, but were not hurt.

WARSHIP TO MEMPHIS.

U. S. Cruiser Tennessee May Be Re-
christened at That Place.

Memphis.—Unless plans fail, the re-
christening of the United States cruiser
Tennessee as the Memphis will take
place in front of Memphis some time
in June.

Congressman K. D. McKellar is ur-
ging the navy department to carry out
this plan. He says it will be feasible,
according to conditions of the Missis-
sippi river during the month of June. The
navy department is considering the
proposition favorably.

The cruiser Tennessee is now on
her way from South American waters
to relinquish her name to the new
dreadnaught No. 43, soon to be erected
at the New York navy yard. She will
take the name of Memphis soon after
her arrival, in honor of the chief city
of the Volunteer State.

Mr. McKellar feels that the rechrist-
ening of the warship should be made
in front of the city of Memphis, and
has ascertained that she can easily
make the trip from the gulf during
June, when there is always a good
stage of water in the river.

He is urging Secretary Daniels of
the navy to come to Memphis on the
occasion.

DEKALB MAGNATE KILLED.

Reports Say Farmer Shot When His
Daughter Screamed.

Smithville.—Harve Robinson, 40, a
prosperous farmer and member of the
DeKalb county court, has been shot
and killed instantly while at the home
of William Bess, near Smithville.
While Bess was in his yard Robinson
is alleged to have made an attack on
Bess' daughter, who screamed. The
father, it is said, appeared on the
scene, Robinson shoving him off the
porch and making alleged threats. Bess
opened fire with a pistol, two shots
taking effect. Both men are said to
have been drinking. Bess was arrest-
ed. He is a small farmer.

BRISTOL YOUTH DROPS DEAD.

Lad Just Recovered From Whooping
Cough at Play.

Bristol.—Warren, the 7-year-old son
of Lieut. Worley Crosswhite, of the
Bristol police force, dropped dead
while at play in front of the family
home at this place.

The boy had recently recovered
from whooping cough, and all danger
was believed to have been passed. The
boy's father was active in the Spanish-
American war, and spent three years
in service in the Philippines, where he
was shot through the breast.

Barr Convicted of Murder.

Paris.—A verdict of murder in the
first degree has been rendered here in
the Barr murder case, Tom Barr being
convicted of the murder of Josie
Pryor, colored. Jim and Sam Love
were also tried as alleged accomplices
to the murder, but there was a hung
jury in the case of the Loves.

Many Hogs Burn.

Waverly.—Oscar Bone of Buffalo
has lost his large barn, 25 head of
hogs, hay, harness and about 300 bar-
rels of corn by fire. The loss is about
\$1,200, with no insurance. Origin of
the fire unknown.

Union City Home Burns.

Union City.—Herman Diesel, Jr.,
who lives just at the western limits of
this city, has lost his beautiful home
by fire. The loss is estimated at
about \$7,000, with insurance covering
possibly the greater part of the loss.

BRACES UNDER FIRE LOSS.

Nashville Comes To Aid of Those suf-
fering From Big Fire.

Nashville.—While thousands are
without homes in East Nashville that
was swept by the greatest fire Nash-
ville has ever known, the public sub-
scription fund for the relief of the
needy has soared to more than \$20,-
000. Various associations of the cap-
ital are working to aid the sufferers
and very little hardship, other than
the loss of property and belongings,
has been reported.

Hundreds of the fire victims have
been housed in the hotels of the city,
and hundreds of homes of those not
afflicted have been opened to the
homeless. Offers of aid from other
cities of the state have been turned
down with thanks by the citizens'
committee.

Business men stated that there is
no possibility of an extra session of
the legislature to consider relief mea-
sures for the stricken people. No call
for relief has been made and it was
stated that the situation has been
fully met by Nashville residents.

Fear that those who were searching
among the ruins might be injured by
falling walls, the police and fire de-
partments have dynamited several
large walls. Among these considered
most dangerous were the walls of the
Warner school building.

A large extent of territory is laid
waste. The fire started on North First
street, near Oldham, and running
southeast diagonally the flames reach-
ed Tenth street to the east after trav-
eling fourteen blocks south to Hunter
street.

The fire zone was three blocks wide,
though in some blocks a number of
the houses were damaged and not de-
stroyed. Many blocks were swept
clean. A few blocks were skipped by
the fire.

Members of the National Guard of
Tennessee were on watch for two days
following the fire in the stricken sec-
tions. Several arrests were made for
minor looting, but no other disorder
was reported by those on guard.

Nashville negroes through their
board of trade, raised \$500 in cash at
a meeting to aid the fire sufferers. The
negro board of trade has the support
of the local commercial club and also
the city commission.

TEAMSTER TO MILLIONAIRE.

Young Maryville Laborer Inherits For-
tune From Uncle.

Knoxville.—From teamster to mil-
lionaire overnight is the experience of
Alfred H. Stinnett of Maryville. An
uncle whom he had not seen since he
was five years old died a few weeks
ago. The uncle left no widow nor chil-
dren, and young Stinnett was advised
of his fortune through attorneys. Of
the \$1,100,000 left him, \$836,000 is in
stocks and bonds and the rest in real-
ty. The gift came as a complete sur-
prise. The young man is an employee
of the Aluminum Company of America
at Maryville. He has been through
high school and now declares he will
go through Maryville College.

SUES FOR \$50,000.

Plaintiff Accuses Father-in-Law of
Alienating Wife's Affection.

Memphis.—Suit for \$50,000 damages
has been filed here in the circuit court
by Elliott Loving against Geo. C. Ben-
nett and wife. Alienation of his wife's
affections is the charge. Bennett is a
millionaire and one of the best known
race horse men in the South. Loving
maintains that the Bennetts have con-
spired against him and have exerted
every influence available to turn his
wife against him.

It is also maintained that Mrs. Ben-
nett sought to have her daughter dis-
satisfied with Loving, telling her that
he had no money and could not sup-
port her in the luxurious manner to
which she was accustomed.

THREE FOR ALEXANDRIA.

DeKalb County City Also Experiences
Fire Day.

Alexandria.—A terrific wind of cy-
clonic nature was the cause of three
fires at this place recently. The resi-
dence of J. S. Turner had a narrow
escape when the wind caused a box
of ashes on the back porch to ignite.
Neighbors gave the alarm and no dam-
age was done. The residence of John
Pulland caught, but was extinguished
before much damage was done. Later
the residence and all outbuildings ex-
cept the barn of Franz Foutch, living
about three miles east of here, were
completely destroyed. Nothing but
their supply of meat in the smoke-
house was saved.

Negro Kills Another.

Dyersburg.—Clifford White, a ne-
gro, shot and killed Arthur Horton,
another negro, at Dyersburg. A fight
the two had the day before was re-
sumed when they met and a duel was
fought. White escaped unhurt and is
now in jail.

Big Loss of Churches.

Nashville.—The total loss on the
churches, pastors' homes, and school
property in the East Nashville fire to-
tals over \$200,000, with insurance of
\$130,000, according to the best figures
available.

Springfield.—The special election,
which had been called for March 25
to choose a school commissioner for
the city of Springfield, has been post-
poned to allow more voters to qualify
through tax payments and registra-
tion.

HALT TEUTON MOVE IN MEUSE DISTRICT

PARIS REPORTS HEAVY ARTIL-
LERY FIRE AND ALSO INFAN-
TRY ATTACK.

GERMAN LOSSES HEAVY

Boom of Powerful Guns Is Heard All
Along the Western Front—The
Vosges Artillery Action
Quite Spirited.

Paris.—A bombardment of great vi-
olence against the French positions
from Avoncourt to Bethincourt, west
of the Meuse, was followed by a Ger-
man attack which was launched
against the Haucourt-Malincourt front
in successive waves. It was repulsed
with heavy losses, according to the
official statement issued by the French
war office, as follows:

"On the Argonne our artillery con-
tinued active against the enemy or-
ganizations north of Houeyette, in the
sector of La Fontaine Aux Charnes
and Haute Chevauchee, as well as in
Eastern Argonne.

"Our fire directed on an enemy bat-
tery in the Montfaucou wood caused a
violent explosion.

"West of the Meuse the bombard-
ment was resumed with violence in
the course of the day against our po-
sitions extending from Avoncourt to
Bethincourt. About 3 o'clock the
Germans launched a powerful attack
against our Haucourt-Malincourt front.
The successive waves of the assault
were all repulsed with heavy losses
with our curtain of fire and the fire
of the infantry.

"Our second lines east of the Meuse
have been bombarded.

"In the Vosges our artillery con-
centrated its fire on visible points of
the enemy front.

"In the Vosges the artillery action
was quite spirited in the region of
Stosswiler, Muhlbach and Hartmanns-
muller-Kopf."

The Belgian official communication
says there is nothing particular to re-
port.

Berlin in the day the following
statement was issued:

"Last night passed quietly to the
east of the River Meuse. There was
considerable activity on the part of
the opposing forces to the west of the
Meuse, in the region of Malancourt, as
well as in the Vosges sector at the
foot of the heights of the Meuse.

"In Lorraine, in the forest of Par-
roy, we delivered a surprise attack on
a position of the enemy, the occupants
of which were either killed or taken
prisoner. In withdrawing we blew up
the position.

"There has been nothing else of im-
portance on the remainder of the
front."

BRITISH CAPTURE TRENCHES

Infantry Successfully Storm First and
Second Line Works at St. Eloi.
600 Yards Taken.

London.—"The British infantry has
stormed and taken first and second
line German trenches along a front of
600 yards at St. Eloi," says the Brit-
ish official communication issued on
March 27.

The text of the statement reads:

"This morning, after exploding
mines, infantry of the Northumber-
land fusiliers and Royal fusiliers as-
saulted the German salient at St. Eloi,
successfully taking first and second
line trenches on a front of some 600
yards. Heavy casualties are known to
have been caused to the enemy. Two
officers and 165 men were taken pris-
oners.

"The artillery activity today has
been mainly confined to the neighbor-
hood of Angres, Wulverghem, St. Eloi
and Wetteje.

"Last night and today there has
been much mining activity. At La
Boisselle we successfully exploded a
mine. To the south of Neuville-St.
Vaast and near Hohenzollern redoubt
there has been crater fighting in
which we were successful.

"Opposite Hulluch the enemy ex-
ploded mines last night, damaging our
trenches and causing some casualties.
We are established on the crater
formed by the explosion."

Berlin Admits Loss.

Berlin.—More than 100 yards of Ger-
man trenches near St. Eloi have been
blown up by the British. German
army headquarters have announced.

Mysterious Murder.

Dallas, Texas.—City and county au-
thorities are completely at loss to ex-
plain the motive for the murder in a
suburban park of Miss Zoila May Cra-
mer, 24, a trained nurse. The body
was found in the park surrounding the
Oak Cliff High School building. Near-
by was found her purse, containing
\$36 and other articles of jewelry, in-
dicating robbery was not a motive.
Physicians, however, expressed the be-
lief the woman had been criminally
assaulted, but no official announce-
ment was forthcoming.

VILLA ELUDES PURSUERS

Bandit Extricates Himself From Dan-
gerous Position and Goes South.
Weather Retards Aeroplanes.

San Antonio, Texas.—Francisco
Villa has escaped from the Mexican
troops that had checked him near Na-
miquipa, and three columns of Amer-
ican cavalry are pursuing him. Al-
ready they are almost 250 miles south
of the border, and unless Mexican
forces bring the elusive bandit to an-
other stand this distance will be great-
ly increased.

Villa's success in extricating him-
self from the dangerous position into
which he had been driven by the Amer-
ican punitive force was related in a
detailed report of Gen. Pershing that
reached Gen. Funston. Gen. Funston
forwarded the report to Washington
without making public any but the es-
sential features.

Col. Dodd is commanding the ad-
vanced columns that are riding hard
after Villa and his men, and Gen.
Pershing has divided his forces so as
to provide supporting columns along
the thinly stretched lines of commu-
nications from his most advanced base
at El Valle. From El Valle another
line is being maintained back to Casas
Grandes, from where communication
with the border is maintained. Gen.
Pershing himself is somewhere south
of Casas Grandes directing the work
of holding together his forces and di-
recting as far as possible the opera-
tions of Col. Dodd. Cavalry is being
used along the lines communicating
with El Valle, where a detachment of
infantry is stationed.

Three aeroplanes are at El Valle
and will be used in scouting as soon
as the high winds that have been
sweeping subsided, and which, accord-
ing to Gen. Pershing, have made ef-
fective assistance by them impossible.
Of the eight machines that went into
Mexico, two are still out of commis-
sion. They were damaged in the flight
from Columbus to Casas Grandes.

PEONS FIRE ON U. S. TROOPS

Unofficial Report Says Detachment
Fired Into and Six Wounded—Rifle
Fire Is Returned.

El Paso, Texas.—A detachment of
United States troops have been at-
tacked unexpectedly by Mexican pe-
ons, said to have been aided by Car-
ranza soldiers, at El Valle. Six Amer-
icans were wounded. The fire was re-
turned by the Americans. Several
Mexicans were killed and eight are re-
ported to have been wounded.

The report of the engagement was
brought here by an official